



**PATENT**

**THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: Guillaume RIBADEAU-DUMAS, Catherine FOUACHE and Pierrick DUFLOT

Serial No.: 09/305,178  
(claiming priority of French Appln. No. FR 98 05806, filed May 7, 1998)

Filed: May 4, 1999

For: **A SWEETENING COMPOSITION AND ITS USES**

**COVER LETTER FOR DOCUMENTS IN RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE  
MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION - FILING DATE GRANTED**

**UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.54(d)**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Washington,

D.C. 20231, on

07-23-99

Dear Sir:

*Kenneth Comaef*

This is in response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application-Filing Date Granted (Notice), a copy of which is being returned with this Response, that is due by July 24, 1999.

In response to the Notice, enclosed herewith, duly executed by the applicant, are:

i ) a Declaration and Power of Attorney (Declaration) document attached to an English translation of the application as filed;  
which identifies the specification for the above-captioned application to which it is directed by the inventors' names, filing date, title and serial number, for filing in the above-captioned application, and wherein the Declaration further identifies the inventors by their residence and citizenship and is otherwise in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.63.

A check in the amount of \$890.00 is enclosed which includes the \$760.00 filing fee and \$130.00 surcharge for submitting the duly executed Declaration, and otherwise complying with the requirements identified on the Notice. The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any additional fees due or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-1650.

Please confirm the receipt of this Cover Letter and the documents being submitted herewith, and that the serial number is not required on either of these documents in order for acceptance by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, and to be in compliance with the

requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.51(a)(2), 153(d), and 1.63 for a Declaration.

If the Office has any questions, or wishes to discuss this matter, please call the attorney of record identified in this application as the one to whom all communications are to be directed, or the undersigned at the telephone number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

Guillaume RIBADEAU-DUMAS,  
Catherine FOUACHE and Pierrick DUFLOT

By:



Curtis A. Bell  
Reg. No. 36,742

July 23, 1999

HENDERSON & STURM  
206 Sixth Avenue, Suite 1213  
Des Moines, Iowa 50309-4076

Telephone: (515) 288-9589  
Telefax: (515) 288-4860

**EMISSION**

<b>EMETTEUR</b>	<b>Numéro:</b>	33(0)1 42 80 01 59	27/07/99 16:18:16
	<b>Nom:</b>	CABINET PLASSERAUD	
<b>RECEPTEUR</b>	<b>Numéro:</b>	0/0031703898661	
	<b>Nom:</b>		
<b>DOCUMENT</b>		208_1618.FAX	
	<b>Page(s):</b>	1	
<b>COMMUNICATION</b>	<b>Durée:</b>	0'20 à 9600 en mode Normal	
	<b>Résultat:</b>	Correct	

Fax émis par: 33(0)1 42 80 01 59 CABINET PLASSERAUD le 27/07/99 16:17 A4 NORM Pg: 1/1

CONSEILS EN PROPRIÉTÉ INDUSTRIELLE - EUROPEAN PATENT & TRADE MARK ATTORNEYS  
TEL. +33 (0)1 42 80 01 11 - FAX +33 (0)1 42 80 01 59 - E-mail: info@plass.com - WEB: www.plass.com



**CABINET PLASSERAUD**  
depuis 1906

84, RUE D'AMSTERDAM  
75440 PARIS CEDEX 09

**DIRECT PATENT**  
BP 16011  
2500 BG DEN HAAG  
PAYS-BAS

VIA FACSIMILE

**URGENT**

Paris, 27 July 1999

O/Ref : LV/DBo/MAr

Dear Sirs,

Please send us, by the end of this week, a copy of the following  
Australian patent application :

. AU 9522149

Thank you in advance.

Yours sincerely,

Marielle ARCHAMBEAUD



**CABINET PLASSERAUD**  
depuis 1906

84, RUE D'AMSTERDAM  
75440 PARIS CEDEX 09

**DIRECT PATENT**  
BP 16011  
2500 BG DEN HAAG  
PAYS-BAS

VIA FACSIMILE

**URGENT**

Paris, 27 July 1999

O/Ref : LV/DBo/MAR

Dear Sirs,

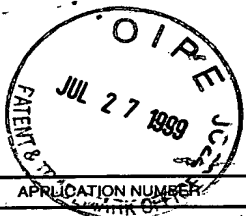
Please send us, by the end of this week, a copy of the following  
Australian patent application :

. AU 9522149

Thank you in advance.

Yours sincerely,

Marielle ARCHAMBEAUD



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
Patent and Trademark Office

Address: COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS  
Washington, D.C. 20231

SECTOR #3

APPLICATION NUMBER	FILING/RECEIPT DATE	FIRST NAMED APPLICANT	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO./TITLE
09/305,178	05/04/99	RIBADEAU-DUMAS	G 6-1032-035

0292/0524

HENDERSON AND STURM  
SUITE 1213  
206 SIXTH AVENUE  
DES MOINES IA 50309-4076

NOT ASSIGNED

1761

DATE MAILED:

05/24/99

**NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION**

**Filing Date Granted**

An Application Number and Filing Date have been assigned to this application. The items indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). If any of items 1 or 3 through 5 are indicated as missing, the SURCHARGE set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of ☐ \$65.00 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, or ☒ \$130.00 for a non-small entity, must also be timely submitted in reply to this NOTICE to avoid abandonment.

If all required items on this form are filed within the period set above, the total amount owed by applicant as a ☐ small entity (statement filed) ☒ non-small entity is \$ 890-

☒ 1. The statutory basic filing fee is:

- ☒ missing.  
☐ insufficient.

Applicant must submit \$ 760- to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).

☐ 2. The following additional claims fees are due:

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ total claims over 20.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ independent claims over 3.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ for multiple dependent claim surcharge.

Applicant must either submit the additional claim fees or cancel additional claims for which fees are due.

☒ 3. The oath or declaration:

- ☒ is missing or unsigned.  
☐ does not cover the newly submitted items.

An oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, including residence information and identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date is required.

☐ 4. The signature(s) to the oath or declaration is/are by a person other than inventor or person qualified under 37 CFR 1.42, 1.43 or 1.47.

A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.

☐ 5. The signature of the following joint inventor(s) is missing from the oath or declaration:

An oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63 listing the names of all inventors and signed by the omitted inventor(s), identifying this application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.

☐ 6. A \$50.00 processing fee is required since your check was returned without payment (37 CFR 1.21(m)).

☐ 7. Your filing receipt was mailed in error because your check was returned without payment.

☐ 8. The application was filed in a language other than English.

Applicant must file a verified English translation of the application, the \$130.00 set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(k), unless previously submitted, and a statement that the translation is accurate (37 CFR 1.52(d)).

☐ 9. OTHER:

Direct the reply and any questions about this notice to "Attention: Box Missing Parts."

**A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.**

D. Durham

Customer Service Center  
Initial Patent Examination Division (703) 308-1202

07/29/1999 WAK11 000000909305178 760.00 DP 130.00 DP  
01 FC:101  
02 FC:105